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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/817,637	Applicant(s) IWATSU, TAKESHI	
	Examiner Binh V. Ho	Art Unit 2163	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 02 March 2007.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 23 June 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This is a response to amendment filed 03/02/2007.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

3. Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Meyer (US 2005/0091268).

(Claims 1, 8-10)

Meyer discloses in figures 1-3, an information processing apparatus comprising non-volatile storage means for storage of a database supervising at least one unit data stored in a recording medium; first registration means for carrying out a registration process with said database; information holding means for holding unit data process information formulated using predetermined information of information forming said database and used for predetermined processing for said unit data; unit data processing means for carrying out said predetermined processing for said unit data using the unit data process information; and second registration means for carrying out registration processing for said unit data process information, wherein said second registration means operates in response to results of the processing carried out by said unit data processing means to execute the registration processing for said unit data

process information in keeping with results of the processing when the registration processing for said database by said first registration means is executed (Paragraph [0007], [0015]-[0017], [0020]-[0022], [0024], [0025], [0030], [0031], [0033], [0034], [0055], [0074], [0105], [0107], [0110], [0112], [0127], [0128]).

(Claims 2, 6, and 7)

Meyer discloses in figure 3, the non-volatile storage means comprises first non-volatile storage means and further comprising storage control means for operating in response to an end of the processing booted as said unit data processing means to store the unit data process information held by said first information holding means on second non-volatile storage means (Paragraph [0007], [0127].

(Claims 3, and 4)

Meyer discloses in figure 3, matching information processing means for storing and processing matching information, said matching information processing means operating so that, when the processing for registration for said database by said first registration means and the processing for registration for said unit data process information by said second registration means are carried out in response to the results of processing carried out by said unit data processing means, matching information indicating the matching of the contents of registration of said database and the unit data process information is stored for said unit data and saved by information holding means; wherein said storage control means stores said matching information held by said information holding means into third non-volatile storage means (Paragraph [0020]-[0022], [0025], [0030], [0112]).

Response To The Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments filed on 03/02/2007 have been fully considered. Applicant made the following arguments:

Accordingly, Applicant submits that, "However, Meyer does not disclose synchronizing contents processing data stored in a cache when there is a change to the contents data stored in a database."

5. In response to applicant's argument that the references fail to show certain features of applicant's invention, it is noted that the features upon which applicant relies (i.e., Meyer does not disclose synchronizing contents processing data stored in a **cache** when there is a change to the contents data stored in a database.) are not recited in the rejected claim(s). Although the claims are interpreted in light of the specification, limitations from the specification are not read into the claims. See *In re Van Geuns*, 988 F.2d 1181, 26 USPQ2d 1057 (Fed. Cir. 1993).

Conclusion

6. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the mailing date of this final action.


Inquiry

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Binh V. Ho whose telephone number is 571 272 8583. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 8:00AM - 4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Don K. Wong can be reached on 571 272 1834. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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